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Items for the Daily Log - 24 May 1954

Legislative Counsel

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1. [ ] informed me that Senator Knowland had requested the Department of the Army to make available the file on Captain John Birch to a writer who was preparing a book. Captain Birch was formerly with OSS and in 1944 was killed by the Chinese Communists. A review of the Army file forwarded by G-2 indicated that it included documents which could not be declassified because of current interest and significance, and G-2 was so informed. In addition they were asked to classify other documents in the file which were currently unclassified.

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4. Mr. Meloon, DAD/Personnel, had been informed by Colonel D. O. Omer, General Counsel of the Selective Service, that the House Committee on Un-American Activities has evidenced some curiosity concerning a CIA employee, [ ] Colonel Omer's tip came through North Carolina State Selective Service sources, and he is extremely anxious that we do not disclose this source. The question may have arisen out of

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